

BT/CT/RAD

Amended Meeting Minutes

1/25/2011

Present: Tanya Swanson – BTRL, Peter Kane – CTRL, Gloria Cheng – CTRL, Giovanni Rosas – CTRL, Caryn Conley – BTRL, Tom Coulombe – RCP

Facilitator: Julie Nassif – Analytical Chemistry

Recorder: Deb Carter - BTRL

Next meeting: 2/8/2011, 10 – 11 AM, 133

I. Announcements

LRN access – some staff need to recertify for restored access to the LRN.

Welcome Giovanni Rosas! – New administrative assistant in CT

CST-LRN APHL Webinar in Auditorium Wednesday, 1/26/2011

II. Department Reports**a. BTRL**

1. FBI training scheduled for April 20 – discussion on whether or not to have BT and CT training on the same day. (Julie felt that it would be too much in one day)
2. Sentinel Lab Training – 4 classes are planned
3. Packaging and Shipping – 2 Pat Payne classes are planned:
 1. March 15 HSLI
 2. March 17 Cooley-Dickinson Hospital
4. Tanya and Deb scheduled to visit IDEXX Wednesday.
Purpose: to see their work flow and to try to determine why they are sending us so many rule/outs

b. CTRL

1. Julie is working with the 1st CST on planning and organizing exercises May 3 – 5
 1. Chemical release on an airplane
 2. Maritime scenario – fishing vessel drags up munitions (concentrating on communications)
 3. Power plant scenario
2. Gloria reported following scheduled CT trainings:
 1. April – U Mass Memorial Hospital
 2. May – Emerson Hospital
 3. May – South Shore Hospital
 4. March – Reduced version for Public Health Nurses

c. RAD

The weekly monitoring of groundwater wells around the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station (prompted after the events in Vermont) last year may be reduced in the near future to focus on a subset or a rotation of this aggregate of sampling locations.

Starting in January, 2011, MERL lab has resumed the collection of monthly environmental samples of various media from locations in Massachusetts near the town of Seabrook, NH.

d. FERN Training this week